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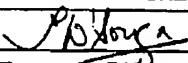
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Filing Date	May 17, 2004
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

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- i. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- ii. Other Amendment Under 37 CFR § 1.116 filed on October 27, 2005
- b. Enclosed
- i. Amendment/Reply
- ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. Other _____
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- b. Other _____
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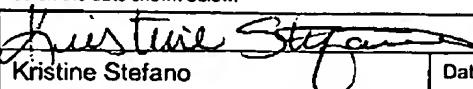
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